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Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Dear Sir:

Applicants acknowledge the allowance of claims in the above identified application with

appreciation. The Applicants agree with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to

the extent that the claims of the present application are patentable over the references in the

record. The Applicants expressly traverse the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

to the extent that any comment is intended or has the effect of limiting a claim scope, explicitly

or implicitly, by not reciting verbatim the respective claim language, or is intended or has the

effect of limiting a claim scope by stating or implying that all the reasons for patentability are in

any way fully enumerated.

By virtue of the Examiner's allowance of the claims over the cited references and the

associated arguments, it is believed that the previous arguments made by the Examiner have

been overcome. Additionally, Applicants specifically do not acquiesce or agree in any manner

as to the comments made by the Examiner regarding what the cited reference(s) do or do not

teach.

The Applicants further point out that the reasons for allowance set forth by the

Examiner are not the only reasons that the claims are allowable. Further reasons for allowance

of the claims beyond those enumerated by the Examiner are described and set forth in the

Applicants' specification. In addition, structures and methods that perform substantially the

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Finally, as the Examiner's reasons for allowance are not exhaustive, such reasons for allowance do not establish an estoppel against Applicants seeking and obtaining allowance of additional, broader claims in a continuation application, which Applicants reserve the right to file.

	Respectfully submitted,
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